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CHIEF EDUCATIONAL OFFICER LEAVES SERVICE SEPT. 1st.

In picking the men to fight the battles for Democracy overseas, America was rushed in her preparations, the need was great and things had to be done in a hurry; yet, she was careful beyond comprehension to pick the best material out of which to make her leaders in the fight. What she then repquired was most dominant physique intelligence also, yet master minds were not needed in the majority of cases. The war finished—then came war's aftermaths.

When it came to picking men to vocationally re-habilitate the maimed, crippled and torn fragments of her fighting humanity, America faced a task of real magnitude. For upon their ability their sincerity, their application and industry depended in the greatest measure whether or not these returning sons became again useful, worthy and self-supporting citizens. And in this phase of her work, America was therefore deliberate in her choice of men; nor did she make her elections unwisely, for vast and amazing have been the accomplishments. Though only in operation for a few months, the local Educational Department has worked wonders and has improved its work many times over in the more recent weeks, which reflects praise and credit upon its present directing head, Captain Harry H. Wylie, whom we regretfully learn is to "gather up his robe like the Arab, and as silently steal away", September 1st.

Entered service early in 1918.

Captain Wylie entered the Medical Officers Training School at Camp Greenleaf, Ga., as a first lieutenant in the Sanitary Corps, in February, 1918. After completion of his two months training there he was sent to Camp Sherman and appointed Assistant Psychological Examiner, remaining there in that capacity for eight months. He was promoted to Captain in October 1918. In December the same year his transfer to General Hospital No. 8, Otisville, N. Y. was effected where he became Assistant Educational Officer. His work at this place merited another in January, this year, to Long Beach, L. I., this time to take entire charge as Chief of the Educational Department there and was later sent to Camp Upton in the same capacity. The Captain remained at Upton in the work from March until July this year when he was transferred to this place as assistant to Captain Van Riper, then head of the local department and with the discharge of the latter from the service, immediately became Chief Educational Officer at this post.

Captain Wylie will return upon discharge September 1st, to Beaver Falls, Pa., to resume his position as college professor. During his stay with us he has attached many friendships. He and Mrs. Wylie, who has been with him all along will long be remembered by a host of friends, who likewise have been serving with the colors.

WITH THE NURSES AND AIDES

Another Wound Stripe to be Issued
Miss Sarah Bodkin while attempting to secure a bottle of iodine from a patient of ward 13 received part of the contents upon her face. Miss Bodkin is in the hospital and we sincerely hope that the injury is slight.

Practice Begins for the Nurses Tennis Tournament

The nurses have started early practice for their tennis tournament and providing rain does not interfere and spoil the court many lively matches will be played in the tournament.

NEW BLUEBIRDS ARRIVE FOR DUTY

Miss Fannie Bowles and Miss Lila Brandenburg have been transferred from Ft. Benjamin Harrison to this post for duty.

Misses Maude Langtree, Elizabeth Wise, Marguerite Vaughan, Aletha Story and Mary Smith have been assigned here from General Hospital No. 16 at New Haven, Conn. Welcome to our little hospital city, "bluebirds".

GOOD NEWS

To hear that Miss Statton has been discharged from the hospital and able to resume her duties.

EDUCATIONAL SURVEY OFFICER LEAVES MONDAY

Just before going to press with this issue we learn that Mr. Arthur R. Ayers who has charge of the survey department at the Educational Department at this post, has severed his connection with the department and will leave Monday for his home in Chicago, Ill. Mr. Ayers has been with the Educational Department at this hospital since early this summer coming from Gen. Hosp. No. 32, Chicago and during his stay has been very active in that branch of work, efficiently carrying out his particular function and incidentally cementing many lasting friendships among the many with whom he has come in contact.

Before entering upon his duties with the Government, Mr. Ayers was an instructor in the Nicholas Senn High School, Chicago's largest school. Upon returning to Chicago he took up a position with the Chicago Chamber of Commerce in the capacity of foreign labor statistician. Much luck, Mr. Ayers.

Another Red Cross Man Out Gone

Mr. D. G. Anderson, long with the local Red Cross organization has left the post having severed his connection with the local Red Cross early this week. Mr. Anderson has been prominent in the welfare work at this hospital and was known to many. He is a graduate nurse and prior to coming with the Red Cross operated a sanatorium in the State of Maryland. He was at one time in the U. S. Marines and later in the Navy, serving in foreign territory as well as in home waters. He is now in Baltimore engaged in civil pursuits.

Labor Day Burlesque or Novelty Field Meet, Monday, Sept. 1st

What promises to be a big novelty in the way of a field meet and which it is expected will attract all in the vicinity is announced by Lt. George E. Mueller, Recreational and Athletic Officer for this hospital to take place on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1st., on the Athletic Field.

Handsome Cash Prizes to be Given

Lt. Mueller has laid out a very neat programme which is printed herewith. A very neat purse accompanies each contest and the winnings will be worth going after.

The day's activities will begin at 10 in the morning, with a Golf Tournament, which will be participated in by Officers and Officer's wives. A beautiful silver cup will be given to the winning officer; and to the lady victor an original drawing will be presented.

The Golf Tournament will occupy most of the forenoon.

After the noon messes the scene of activity will be shifted from the golf course to the Athletic Field. The athletic events will begin at 2:00 P.M. The following events will be carried out, each carrying a handsome cash prize. A very interesting festival is the present indication. Its success depends much however upon the enthusiastic participation of all on the post.

ATHELETIC EVENTS

Corps Men: Sack Race
Medicine Ball far throw
Potato Race
Chariot Race—3 men to a chariot

Patients: Obstacle Race
Shoe Race
Wheelbarrow Race
Dash

Nurses and Aids: Egg Race
Nail Driving Contest
Dash
Tug-of-war Nurses and Aides—10 to a team.

Open to All: Pie Eating Contest
Tub Race
Canoe Paddle
Canoe Tilting
Greased Pig

3.30 P. M. Baseball Game—Post Team vs. Strong Contender

5.15—6.00 P. M. — Mess

7.00—9.00 P. M. — Big Vaudeville Show in theatre—Special vaudeville for closed wards.

9.00—12.00 P. M. — Dancing in Red Cross Convalescent House

During the afternoon refreshments will be served on the grounds and ice cream in the closed wards.

The program is under the auspices of all welfare organizations of the post including the Red Cross, K. of C., J. W. B., Y. M. C. A. The W.C.C.A., the Y.W.C.A. and the Daughters of Isabela, K. of C. Ladies Auxiliary will act as hostesses.

Aviator Acrobats from Langely Field
Moving Pictures and Reception at K. of C. Hut

**ALL OUT! EVERYTHING FOR
EVERYBODY! JOIN IN!**

VODEVIL AND DANCE TUESDAY

On next Tuesday evening, Sept. 2nd in the Red Cross Convalescent House, will occur the regular dance given weekly for the patients and their friends.

Preceding the dance a splendid entertainment is booked to appear in the theatre. Besides a select feature film theatre goers will spend "FORTY-FIVE MINUTES WITH MIRALDO", a unique entertainment, of surprise—mirth—and melody. The Miraldo act is brought to us by the Y.M.C.A., and comes highly recommended.

Remember on Tuesday, Sept. 2nd—entertainment and dance.

ZBASEBALL CHAMPS FEEL LOSS OF STRONGEST PLAYER

The Post Team has been sadly crippled by the loss of Ziegler and the Knode brothers, and it is going to be next to impossible to replace them.

Ziegler entered the service just one year ago, at Camp Greenleaf, Ga., and is a weaver by trade in addition to being interested in the farming industry in New Jersey. "Whitey" as he is popularly known to the fans, played with the Stetsons of Philadelphia and with others of the fast semi-pro teams in that vicinity. While with us his fielding was almost perfect and his batting was close to 300.

The Knode brothers are both college boys, from the Maryland State University and who were on duty here as civilian employees and both were S.A.T.C. men. Bob has a future with the leagues before him, if he chooses to follow baseball. His fielding has been sensational and his batting average is about 350.

His brother Stewart has been putting up a fast game at third base and pounded the pill for a trifle over 300. Both of these boys are returning to college.

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WISE UP FR ENDS

It is written in the great book that we shall know the truth and the truth shall make us free.

The truth does make men free, and nothing but the truth can do it—you may live in a Republic and vote, and think you make your laws. But you are bound fast in darkness and not free unless you know the truth about Government and the wants of man.

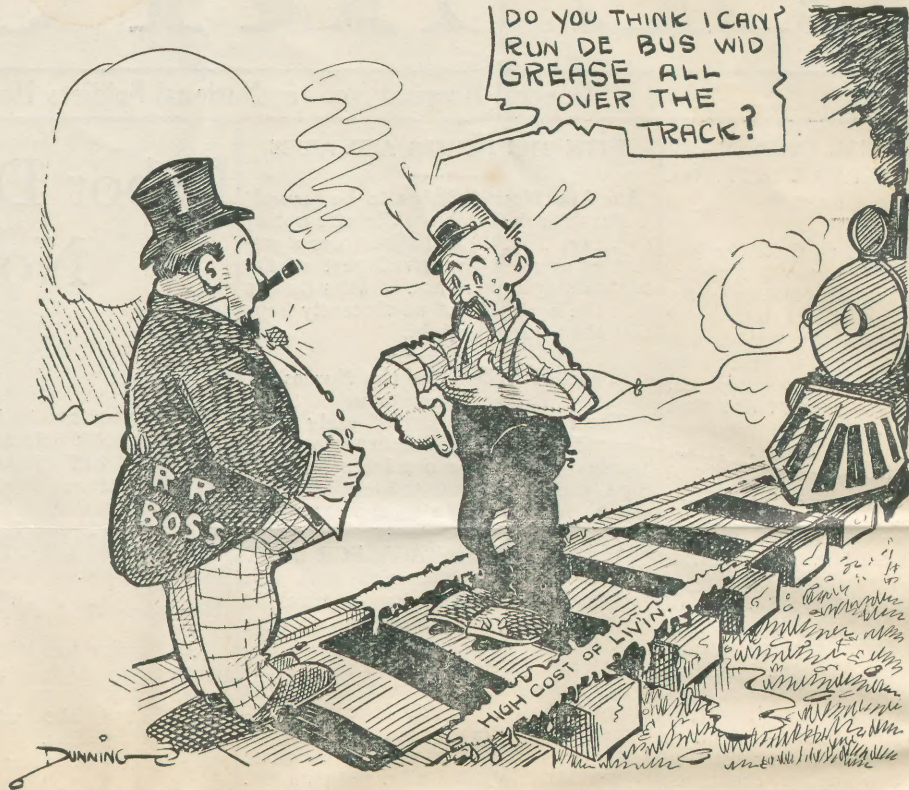
Knowledge is the breeder of progress and it is comforting to know that man progresses.

Two thousand years ago, man was a poor, shivering creature on this earth afraid of the wind that roared thru his cave, afraid of the lightening-flashes in the sky, fearing that a supreme God was trying to crush his little carcass.

That wind, man later harnessed to grind his flour, pump his water, propell his ocean bark.

That same lightening, the electric spark, is today the dominant phenomena harnessed in the power-lant of the aero-plane with which man soars on the winds among the clouds. Man has learned scientific truth, and that truth has lifted him up from ancient dogmas and superstition and placed him on wings that carry him through the air, defying gravity's power. And with thought and knowledge he frees his mind from the darkness, superstition, fear and feebleness that holds it down.

Remember the tea-kettle, though up to its neck in hot water, it continues to sing.



WHEN DO WE GET OUR DISCHARGE

We hear on every hand: "When are we going to get out of this Army?" "We want to go home." This little paper is constantly the recipient of missives voraciously making these queries.

To all those we ask that they remember that it is no more possible for 2,000,000 men to lay down their arms overnight than it is to shoulder them.

Demobilization is just as much a part of the war game as mobilization. It requires the same, if not greater, soldierly qualities.

So play the game out to the finish. And then, later, when your tourist friend says, "Well I was 'over there' when the war started", you can proudly say, you were there 'till the whistle blew "Stop!" for the grand finale.

You're going to get out just as fast as others can be mustered in to take your place.

— SO —

When you're feeling weary,
And your brain is rather sad,
Don't think of all your troubles,
But of the fun you've had.

Evil thoughts like green apples up-
set the whole system.

THE RED CHEVRON

The red chevron is a sign that you have been honorably discharged; that you have passed from the military to the civil jurisdiction. It will save you from being fussed by P. G.'s and M. P.'s but it conveys no right for you to fuss them. The red chevron is prescribed to be worn by discharged officers and enlisted men as a recognition of duties performed in the service of their country. It must also be worn by discharged officers who have accepted commissions in the Officers' Reserve Corps, until called to active

duty.

Moreover it is unlawful, under the National Defense Act, for the uniform to be worn by either discharged officers or enlisted men, without this distinctive mark, and an offender renders himself liable to prosecution and upon conviction, to punishment by a fine not exceeding \$300, or by imprisonment not exceeding 6 months, or by both fine and imprisonment.

A free issue of red chevrons, one for the blouse, one for the O. D. shirt, and one for the overcoat will be made to all enlisted personnel. Discharged Officers will find a supply on sale by the Quartermaster at all demobilization camps.

As an honorably discharged soldier wearing the red chevron, you are entitled to buy a drink, but, remembering the Buds and Gobs still in the service who are not civilians, do not buy too many.

Where do we go from here.

To make you think, enable you to judge the events of today and think intelligently about the future in the light of the past, read these admirable books Buckle's "History of Civilization in England", Lecky's "History of European Morals", and Guizot's "History of Civilization". You will find it difficult to buy the last named but can get it at a public library.

Such books as these should be read with an encyclopaedia at hand and frequently consulted. Never read and pass on without understanding what you have read or knowing about the important characters mentioned. To read books without knowing what you read is like swallowing food whole, it does no good and causes indigestion.

FROM THE LIPS OF A YORKTOWN TOURIST: "So this is where, Cornwall Jackson surrendered!"

IT CAN BE DONE

by Edward Guest

Somebody said it couldn't be done.

But he with a chuckle, replied,
That maybe it couldn't, but he'd not be one

To say so till he tried.
So he buckled right in, with a bit of a grin

On his face—if he worried he hid it
He started to sing as he tackled the thing

That couldn't be done, and he did it.
Somebody scoffed, "Oh, you'll never do that—"

At least no one ever has done it."
But he took of his coat and he took off his hat,

And the first thing we knew he'd begun it.

With a bit of a grin and a lift of his chin,

Without any doubting or quit-it,
He started to sing as he tackled the thing

That couldn't be done, and he did it.
There are thousands to tell you it cannot be done,

There are thousands to prophesy failure.

There are thousands to point out, one by one,

The dangers that wait to assail you.
But just buckle in, with a bit of a grin—
Take off your coat, and go to it.

Just start in to sing as you tackle the thing

That cannot be done, and you'll do it.

PRO(FIT)PHET SURE ENOUGH

Standpat: How is it that you can see ahead?

Gamble: I am a prophet.

Standpat: How is that?

Gamble: I profit by my mistakes.

STATISTICS AND COMMENT

Although enormous gifts for the medical care of our soldiers were accepted by the government, \$370,000,000 was appropriated by Congress between April 6th, 1917 and November 11th, 1918, to buy all the necessary hospital facilities and surgical supplies. This represents the cost to the United States, of medicine, surgical instruments and dressings, ambulances, hospital furniture, equipment and supplies and dental and veterinary supplies for the war.

Such is the pointed information concerning the care of our boys, given by Benedit Crowell, Assistant Secretary of War and Director of Munitions in his report on "America's Munitions".

The fund of \$370,000,000 "was considerably more money than was contributed by the American people to the American Red Cross, a great part of whose funds went to the relief of civilian populations in Europe, or to other war charity," says the report. "Thus it will be seen that the government with billions of dollars to spend could well afford the few hundreds of millions necessary to give the American soldiers who needed it the best possible hospital attention. It accepted gifts of this sort, ranging from gauze bandages to fully equipped motor ambulances, as the offerings of the people whose hearts overflowed with love and gratitude to the American soldiers and took this means of showing their concern; but the government in no sense was dependent upon these donations."

At the outset of the war a big handicap presented itself, because before 1914, four-fifths of all surgical instruments used in the United States were imported from Germany, and production of certain important medicines was practically limited to that country. But through co-operation of manufacturers in America, with the Medical Departments general purchasing office, and the Council of National Defense, together with the Medical Supply Depots, amazing results were achieved.

Look at some of these enormous "prescriptions" for our army which America filled during the year 1918: 46,000,000 quinine tablets, 172,000,000 aspirin tablets, 835,000 pounds of calomel ointment, 45,000,000 iodine swabs, 10,250,000 tins of foot powder and 300,000,000 tubes of iodine-potassium. All other items of medicines antiseptics and disinfectants, required by the Medical Department were increased in proportion.

Orders customarily went to the lowest bidders, with a careful review in Washington of all prices named in contracts.

Among the important materials used in the care of our boys were these, purchased during the last year of the war: a total of 12,000,000 individual dressing packets, 795,000 boxes of gauze bandages, 574,400,000 yards of bandage, 10,000,000 first aid packets, and 108,000,000 yards of gauze, and 3,814,000 pounds of absorbent cotton. For the carrying of the sick and wounded the government bought 258,000 liters. The heaviest buying period during the war was between July 1, and November 30, 1918. The largest order for surgical instruments was for haemostatic forceps of which the government bought 1,304,476.

It is interesting to note that the purchases made in France for the Medical Department consist mostly of large and bulky items, mainly hospital furniture and equipment, which, if transported

from the United States, would necessitate the use of considerable valuable cargo space. Foreign purchases were made primarily to save ship space and not because of any shortage or failure to function in this country.

MESSAGE FROM THE COMMERCIAL DEPT. IN BARRACKS "M"

SAY BUDDIE! Do you know what's here? Why there's an up-to-date COMMERCIAL SCHOOL over in Barracks "M", that

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PENMEN (Rapid Business)

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CAN YOU FILL THE BILL? If you can, come over and learn how to do it better. Brush up on what you already know.

IF YOU CANNOT, then you are WANTED HERE AT ONCE—for we are going to teach you how to become an expert stenographer, typist, penman or bookkeeper. Ask some of your ward buddies who are coming, they know.

All this is here for YOU—free of charge. The BIG TREAT is on your Uncle Sam—free material—free instruction—and you draw your regular pay while learning.

You may be here for just a short time or you may be here for a long time. Either way, your opportunity is here. Take advantage of it, even if it is just for a few days. You'll be that far ahead. You can't sit under a cherry tree and wait for the cherries to fall into your hat. Nor can you sit around the ward and expect things to come to you. A little pep boys! We have what you want—COME AND GET IT. Take a course and prepare for a better position and a fat pay envelope when you get into civies. If you had a good job before entering the service you will be able to do your work more efficiently, no matter what it was.

REMEMBER THIS: "Enrolling for a course does not hinder your discharge. If anything it will hasten it. The minute you are ready for the parchment with the Eagle on it, your work ceases here. You want to go home, don't you? SURE! Here's the secret. The sooner you get started on the road to recovery, the sooner that little "Red Chevron" will be shining on the sleeve of your O. D.—and we are here to help you do it.

Come over and learn how to sling the ink. It's easy if you know how—and here's the place for you to learn. Have our instructor demonstrate how easy it is to write by the touch system on the typewriter. And shorthand is as easy as A B C, that Chinese look fades away after the first lesson or two. What is a Debit? What is a Credit? Do you know a Journal from a Ledger? That's bookkeeping. You ought to know how to keep records for your own use.

CORPS MEN are requested to take advantage of our courses. It will be a pleasure for you to spend a few hours each day in a large, airy, well lighted room and our electric fans make you forget about the heat.

HOURS: Shorthand and typewriting from 8.30 to 4.00 Penmanship from 10.15 to 11.00 Bookkeeping from 1.15 to 2.15. Also a class in commercial arithmetic which takes in ever-

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thing that you might have to figure in business, 2.15 to 3.15. The Commercial Department is located on the second floor of Barracks "M".

All right, Buddy, make a "B" line for Barracks "M". Sign up for what you want, TODAY, and bring the other fellow along.

Yours for success,
COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Monkeying with a Serious Question

Professor Richard Garner some years ago established quite a reputation as a linguist by claiming that he could differentiate between the language used by monkeys and that used by some human beings. He claimed that monkeys talked the same as people in society talked and upon occasion, probably said quite as much.

Now the professor has announced his intention of establishing a nation of chimpanzees and gorillas in the United States for the purpose of uplifting the entire ape race and letting the monkeys go to work for the white folks.

The apes are second only to human beings in point of intelligence and as a matter of fact, are not second to some of them. It will be entirely possible to train the apes to perform farm labor, and a serious problem would thereby be solved.

It is not difficult to see how, in some of the branches of farm labor, an ape might be 125 per cent efficient. In the matter of picking apples or peaches for instance, an ape could hang by his tail and pick fruit with four hands while the best a man can do is to hang by one hand and pick with the other.

One of the difficult jobs on a farm is that of plucking festive potato bugs from the plants. Some of the new-fangled farmers use potato bug sprayers, but the old fashioned way is to go forth in the morning with a tin pail and pick as many of these bugs as possible. If a man is a good picker he can get a two quart pail full of potato bugs by nightfall. What a monkey could do with four efficient hands would stagger the imagination.

It is the intention of the professor to train monkeys to a high degree of efficiency in the arts and trades and domestic service. This may solve the mooted servant problem.

It can be readily seen how they might get by in a jazz orchestra. What a monkey with four working hands could do to a rkelele would be sufficient, and as to playing the traps and noise making machines he

would have any Broadway trappist backed off the boards, being able to play both drums, the wash-boiler, the locomotive whistle and the glass crash simultaneously.

The only difficulty about the whole proposition of starting a nation of chimpanzees and gorillas in this country is that the monkeys might eventually get into politics and get to running things, which would be a sad commentary on our well-known system.

—N. Y. American

Now at Home, Sweet Home

It has just come to our notice that Miss Irene Schermerhorn, one of our most popular nurses received her discharge Saturday, Aug. 23rd, and journeyed to her home at Des Moines, Iowa.

Miss Schermerhorn was one of the pioneer nurses at this post. Her enlistment into the service in the latter months of 1918 sent her to this hospital at its opening and she was with us till last week.

Many friendships were made by Miss Schermerhorn among those in service at this post.

A DIALOGUE.

The People:—"I admire the man who makes money and keeps it."

The World:—"J. D. does that and most people rail at him."

The People:—"I admire people who speak the truth."

The World:—"Unless its about you."

The People:—"I like frank people".

The World:—"Show me one and I'll show you a snob".

The People:—"I like people who stand up for their rights".

The World:—"You mean if their rights don't interfere with what you think are yours".

The People:—"I like honest men".

The World:—"There never was but one and "He was born in a manger and had not where to lay His head".

The People:—"I like fat people."

The World:—"You must be fat"

The People:—"We like justice".

The World:—"The grave for yours".

The People:—"I am tired of life".

The World:—"You know what to do".

The People:—"Gee! how I hate gossip".

The World:—"Have you fell out with yourself".

The People:—"Isn't the world wonderful?"

The World:—"I have heard flatterers speak before. I haven't a cent".

The People:—"Some people are Bolsheviks".

The World:—"He can say as much for you".

WITH THE WELFARE ORGANIZATIONS

IN THE SPORT WORLD.

**"LIVE, LAUGH AND LOVE" COMEDY
DRAMA, SCORES HIT OF SEASON
IN LOCAL SHOW HOUSE**

"Live, Laugh and Love", dramatization from the book by Keough and Lazarus, with music and lyrics by Mr. Marshall is a production of genuine merit. The company composed of 26 members, under the management of Mr. George Hill, are all New York City talent, who have been working up their production at the Academy Newport News, Va., during the past few days.

Their first open rehearsal was given in our theatre, Thursday evening, before one of the largest audiences ever known to have assembled in the local show-house and we might add, that the production was the most rare of all treats this season.

The singing numbers of the show are its strongest features. Added to this, the dramatic punch the principals put into their characterizations, is shortly sure to put the show over with any audience. Ours being as difficult as most of them the success scored by this troupe Thursday night is scarcely needful of any further comment.

The leading roles were carried by Claudia Preston, Thomas Keough, Ruth Rollins, Bob Cook, Lillian Lee, Hary Howard, Katherine Fitzgibbons, Charles Gaunt and Helen Amoy, all of whom splendidly "fit into" their chosen role.

The singing and dancing numbers rendered by the cast were of especially high merit. They are the compositions of Mr. Marshall, who is assisting in the producing of the show. Some of the numbers that scored big were "How would you like to get all your loving from me?", "I you are the girl I see in my Dreams", "One Kiss", "Putt-Putt-Putt", "Live, Laugh and Love", "I want a fellow like my Daddy", and "Boys-Boys-Boys".

The company is showing tonight at the Academy, Newport News. They will leave Sunday for Savannah, Ga., on an extended tour of the South. The production by careful cutting and rebuilding in certain places, like "Putt-Putt-Putt" and Ghost burlesque, would become a decided winner. It was brought here by the Red Cross.

K. of C. HOLD NICE DANCE PARTY

The Thursday evening dance at Phoebus Hut of the K. of C., was attended by a large number of nurses, aides, officers and patients from Gen. Hosp. No. 43, as well as by a number of men from the fort.

These dances are becoming very popular and are under the management of Francis Caroland O'Neill—Chief Secretary of the Hut.

Mr. O'Neill, acting for the K. of C. and ably assisted by Miss Nealon, hostess does everything possible to promote sociability and good-fellowship on every occasion among the guests.

"Y" SECRETARY RETURNS

Mr. Zimmerman of the local Y.M.C.A. has returned from a ten days visit spent at his home, Hagerstown, Md.

OH HOW LONESOME everywhere about our home since the band and orchestra left us! Yea brother!

**SPLENDID EIGHT ACT VAUDEVILLE
SHOW DELIGHTED ALL**

Another entertainment, given thru the courtesy of the management of the Olympic Theatre, Newport News, the players and the Red Cross, pleased all at the Convalescent house Wednesday evening shortly after six o'clock.

This time we had more acts than usual to entertain the local "vodie" lovers. Eight of them, all classy and different from what has appeared here before. The players, from Keith's Circuit with their numbers established themselves permanently into the memories of those present.

Miss Signa, the girl from Norway, pleased all with her songs. Her rendering of "Yaka Hicky Dula", in both English and Norwegian was both entertaining and amusing. Mr. Frank Carter in a Novelty Balancing act delighted all. Some very difficult feats were performed by Mr. Carter who worked under a handicap, not having his own equipment and the floor being somewhat slippery.

Florence Milette, a singing comedienne with her songs and gestures was another number worthy of mention. Miss Milette answered several encores. Frank McGowan and his popular songs made a hit and had to work overtime too. Another splendid singer was Joe Regan who sang "Mother Machree".

Mr. Barclay's number needs no apology. He received merited applause after his recitation of a poem dedicated to the first contingent of Canadians who went overseas. The poem entitled "At St. Julian" had a punch that was both humorous and dramatic.

Mr. Cooper and Miss Recardo are two singing comedians of first class quality. Mr. Cooper's songs called for double time and the duet with Miss Recardi was a pleasing number. Both having to answer repeated encores.

..CULLED FROM THE CALENDAR..

(Movies at the K. of C. in Phoebus)

This Week

SUNDAY EVE—Harry Carey in "The Scarlet Drop"

Next Week

Monday—Mae Murray in "The Brides Awakening"

Wednesday—Pricilla Dean in "The Wildcat of Paris"

Friday—Tom Mix in "Western Blood"

Sunday—Valeska Suratt in "Soul of Broadway"

Monday Sept 8th—"Rainbow Trail"

Everybody Welcome!

BACK WITH US AGAIN

Sgt. 1c. Louiz D'Almada has returned from a visit to Washington, D. C.

Sgt. Floyd McCracken and Privates George Bullard and McGilton have returned from detached service, escorting patients to other hospitals.

MESSICK CLUB SWAMPED

The baseball team and its retinue, including the official scorer, bat-boy, umpire and loyal rooters; and accompanied by the Commanding Officer and Mr. Snyder of the local Red Cross, journeyed to a village or site called Messick and located somewhere on the Chesapeake Bay. The party numbered about seventy-five people and they searched the waters of the bay for nearly two hours before signs of habitation was sighted.

After a safe landing all waked about a mile or two to the ball field and the game had to be abbreviated to seven innings so we could get away before the tide got too low. Oh! yes we won to the score of 10 to 1 after a "fast and furious" game. Everybody enjoyed themselves.

Stauffer twirled and had lots of stuff while McCarthy caught in the usual manner. Lawson one of the new men came thru with two triples and a double. Schollenberger continued his batting streak by getting two more hits. Th eday's event in brief follows.

POST TEAM

	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Totals	27	10	11	18	2	3

MESSICK CLUB

	AB	R	H	O	A	E
Totals	24	1	5	18	4	4

Summary: 2B hits: Otis (2), Schollenberger, McCormack, W. Forrest. 3B hits: Lawson (2); Home Run: Long. Struck out by Stauffer 6; by W. Forrest 5; Bases on balls off Stauffer 1; off W. Forrest 1; Stolen bases. Catch: Umpire, McGluke.

	1	2	3	4	5	6
Messick Field Club	0	0	0	0	1	0
Post Team	0	1	0	5	2	2

WITHOUT EYES OR HANDS

Double Disability Does Not Prevent Disabled Soldiers From Training.

WASHINGTON, August, 2 —The case of Henry A. Bitter of Dubuque, Iowa has attracted the attention of Congress on account of his double "total disability," has been acted upon by the Case Board of the Federal Board for Vocational Education. The explosion of a hand grenade in France resulted in blindness for this young man and caused injuries which necessitated the amputation of both of his hands. Since leaving school at 14, young Bitter had studied pharmacy, working at the same time in a drug store. He had become a graduate and registered pharmacist. In conference with vocational advisers from the Board, he expressed his desire to continue in the drug business. The Case Board has approved a course in the manufacture of proprietary medicines including courses in salesmanship and business administration. His brother is to act as his tutor during the course. With the new artificial hands which are being made for him, after this course of training, this severely disabled soldier will be able with the help of a suitable assistant to live a self-dependent life.

Vocational training is justified by just such examples. No man, now ever severely injured need despair, as long as he has the will to do.

LOCAL TEAM RECORDS**ANOTHER LOSE**

Thursday at Red Circle Park, the Ship-Builders put one over on us and went home with a victory by a score of 6 to 3. The game is now over and the records stand, but it will not be amiss to state that this is the second time this season that we found the umpiring so bad as to give it mention in this publication. At the seventh inning we had the game well in hand, by the score of 3 to 2, for McCormack was retiring the Ship Builders in one-two-three order. Then with the aid of a couple of errors they got two men on the bases and the next play the man on third tried for home and was caught about two feet from the plate by McCarthy, who also had the base blocked so that it was impossible for the man to reach home. The umpire said "safe" Mistakes will be made, it is conceded but when everyone on the field, including the opposing players, admit the decision was a bad one, it looks like deliberate robbery. The decision cost us two runs and the game, for the team seemed to lose all interest in playing after that.

Schollenberger featured at the bat for our team, with two hits, while McCarthy hit one terrific line-drive against left field fence for two bases. McCormack pitched a much better game than the box score would indicate.

Box Score**POST TEAM**

	AB	R	H	O	A	E
B. Knode 1B.	4	0	1	2	1	0
S. Knode 3B	4	0	1	0	2	1
Otis 2B.	4	0	1	3	4	0
McCormack P.	4	0	0	1	0	2
Ziegler SS.	4	0	0	2	2	0
Long LF.	3	1	1	2	1	0
Novick CF.	3	0	1	2	1	0
McCarthy C.	3	1	1	8	1	0
Sch'll'b'ger RF.	3	1	2	1	0	0
Totals	32	3	8	27	11	1

SHIP YARD

	4	1	1	0	3	1
Chambers SS.	4	1	1	0	3	1
Dean 1B.	3	2	2	9	0	0
Davis CF.	3	0	1	3	0	0
Lancaster 2B.	4	1	1	3	3	0
Pras LF.	3	2	2	0	0	0
Sweeney 3B.	2	0	1	0	0	0
Oliver C.	2	0	1	6	0	0
Lizat C.	2	0	1	6	0	0
Harris P	4	0	0	0	2	0
Totals	27	6	10	27	8	2
Summary: 2b Hits; McCarthy, Dean, Preas. Double Plays; Ziegler to Otis to B. Knode: Harris to Sweeney to Dean. Stolen Bases; Long: Struck out by McCormack, 7; by Harris, 3; Bases on balls off McCormack, 1; off Harris, 1;						
Ship Yard	0	0	0	1	0	2
Post Team	0	0	0	3	0	0

NURSES TENNIS TOURNAMENT**STARTS TODAY**

The nurses will start their tennis tournament this afternoon if possible. The finals will be played on Sept. 2. First prize, Suit Case. Second prize, \$2.00 cash.

RETURNED FROM VISITS

Miss Marsh, Duncan, Bradley and McGuire, of the nurses quarters have returned after spending a leave visiting their homes.